

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

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Information Item

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Ref: **TRAFFIC CONGESTION RELIEF (TCR) PROGRAM PENDING ALLOCATIONS**

BACKGROUND:

At the December 2002 meeting, the California Transportation Commission (Commission) took action to defer approval of any additional Traffic Congestion Relief Program (TCRP) applications and allocations due to the continuing economic challenges faced by the State. The Governor signed Executive Order D-49-01, BL 02-21, directing all State agencies and departments to reduce expenditures in order to achieve General Fund savings wherever possible. The Governor's Budget May Revision proposes a partial suspension of the General Fund transfer to the Transportation Investment Fund (TIF). The \$207 million will be transferred to the TIF, then to the Traffic Congestion Relief Fund (TCRF), to reimburse eligible project costs for those projects with an existing allocation. The budget proposal does not include additional funding needed to make new allocation of funds from the TCRF. These actions will have direct impacts on the TCRP.

In the meantime, implementing agencies are continuing to submit allocation requests for phases of work that are ready to begin. The following list identifies those pending allocation requests which have been deferred. Except for those allocation requests subject to application approval, the following projects are consistent with the approved application, have met any applicable conditions set by Commission, and the implementing agency is ready to proceed.

The following 23 project allocation requests totaling \$175,148,000 were listed under Tab 18 (Reference Item 4.3b) of the June 2003 Commission meeting materials:

- \$1,800,000 – Project #11, Phase 1 for San Francisco Bay Southern Crossing; complete feasibility and financial studies for new San Francisco Bay crossing (new bridge, HOV/Transit bridge or second BART tube) in Alameda and San Francisco or San Mateo Counties.

Implementing Agency: Metropolitan Transportation Commission

- \$230,000 – Project #27.1, Phase 3 for Vasco Road Safety and Transit Enhancement Project in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties – Vasco Road Improvements.

Implementing Agency: Alameda County Public Works Agency
(Allocation of funds subject to application approval)

- \$1,204,000 – Project #27.2, Phase 4 for Vasco Road Safety and Transit Enhancement Project in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties – ACE Commuter Parking.
Implementing Agency: City of Livermore
- \$980,000 – Project #27.3, Phase 4 for Vasco Road Safety and Transit Enhancement Project in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties – Valley Center ACE Parking Structure.
Implementing Agency: City of Livermore Community Development Department
(Allocation of funds subject to application approval)
- \$14,000,000 – Project #37.2, Phase 1 for Los Angeles Mid-City Transit Improvements; build Light Rail Transit system along Exposition Blvd. in Los Angeles County – Mid-City/Exposition Light Rail Transit Project.
Implementing Agency: Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority
(Allocation of funds subject to application amendment approval)
- (\$432,000) – Project #60.1, Phases 2, 3 for Route 15; southbound truck climbing lane at two locations in San Bernardino County.
Implementing Agency: California Department of Transportation (Department)
(De-allocation of funds subject to application amendment approval)
- \$17,000,000 - Project 62.1, Phase 4 for Route 91; add HOV lanes through downtown Riverside, Mary Street to Route 60/215 junction in Riverside County.
Implementing Agency: California Department of Transportation (Department)
- \$3,288,000 – Project #74.5, Phase 4 for Pacific Surfliner; double track intercity rail line within San Diego County, add maintenance yard in San Diego County – Encinitas Passing Track.
Implementing Agency: San Diego North County Transit District (NCTD)
- \$200,000 – Project #74.6, Phase 1 for Pacific Surfliner; double track intercity rail line within San Diego County, add maintenance yard in San Diego County – Leucadia Boulevard Grade Separation Project Study Report.
Implementing Agency: San Diego Association of Governments
(Allocation of funds subject to application approval)
- \$1,248,000 – Project #74.7, Phase 1 for Pacific Surfliner; double track intercity rail line within San Diego County, add maintenance yard in San Diego County – Encinitas Grade-Separated Pedestrian Crossing(s).
Implementing Agency: City of Encinitas
(Allocation of funds subject to application approval)
- \$7,700,000 – Project #75.2, Phase 4 for San Diego Transit Buses; acquire about 85 low-emission buses for San Diego transit service in San Diego County.
Implementing Agency: NCTD

- \$80,000,000 – Project #79, Phase 4 for North County Light Rail; build new 20-mile light rail line for Oceanside to Escondido in San Diego County.
Implementing Agency: NCTD
- \$7,800,000 – Project #83.1, Phase 3 for Route 15; add high-tech managed lane on I-15 freeway north of San Diego (Stage 1) from Route 163 to Route 78 in San Diego County – Transit Elements.
Implementing Agency: San Diego Metropolitan Transit Development Board
- \$10,000,000 – Project #92, Phase 4 for San Joaquin Corridor; improve track and signals along San Joaquin intercity rail line near Hanford in Kings County.
Implementing Agency: Department
- ~~\$35,000 – Project #97.2, Phase 3 for Operational improvements on Shaw Avenue, Chestnut Avenue, Willow Avenue, and Barstow Avenue near California State University at Fresno in Fresno County.
Implementing Agency: City of Fresno
(Concurrent item(s) under 2.1c.(6) and 2.6e.(2))~~
- \$260,000 – Project #98, Phase 3 for Peach Avenue; widen to four-lane arterial and add pedestrian overcrossings for three schools in Fresno County.
Implementing Agency: City of Fresno
- \$7,000,000 – Project #99.2, Phase 4 for San Joaquin Corridor; improve track and signals along San Joaquin intercity rail line in seven counties – Stockton to Escalon Second Main Track.
Implementing Agency: Department
- \$1,298,000 – Project #114, Phases 2, 3 for Route 65; add four passing lanes, intersection improvement, and conduct environmental studies for ultimate widening to four lanes from Route 99 in Bakersfield to Tulare County line in Kern County.
Implementing Agency: Department
- \$18,500,000 - Project 118, Phase 4 for Sacramento Emergency Clean Air/Transportation Plan (SECAT); incentive for the reduction of emissions from heavy-duty diesel engines operating within the Sacramento region.
Implementing Agency: Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG)
- \$608,000 – Project #119.2, Phase 1 for Convert Sacramento Regional Transit bus fleet to low emission and provide Yolo bus service by the Yolo County Transportation District.
Implementing Agency: Yolo County Transportation District

- \$590,000 – Project #123, Phase 4 for Oceanside Transit Center; parking structure.
Implementing Agency: City of Oceanside
- \$200,000 – Project #141, Phase 2 for Union City; pedestrian bridge over Union Pacific rail lines.
Implementing Agency: City of Union City
- \$692,000 – Project #152, Phase 4 for Pasadena Blue Line transit-oriented mixed-use development.
Implementing Agency: City of South Pasadena
(Allocation of funds subject to application amendment approval)
- \$550,000 – Project #153, Phase 4 for Pasadena Blue Line utility relocation.
Implementing Agency: City of South Pasadena
(Allocation of funds subject to application amendment approval)